

Bringing the County Closer to You!

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January 10, 2020

Upcounty Quality of Life Committee Meeting Monday, January 13 7:00pm

Kramer Upcounty Regional Services Center 12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown

Topic: "Status of the County's Senior Population" (change of topic)

Guest: Dr. Odile Brunetto, Acting Chief, Aging & Disability Services
Montgomery County Department of Health & Human Services

All Upcounty Citizens Advisory Board and Committee meetings are open to the public!

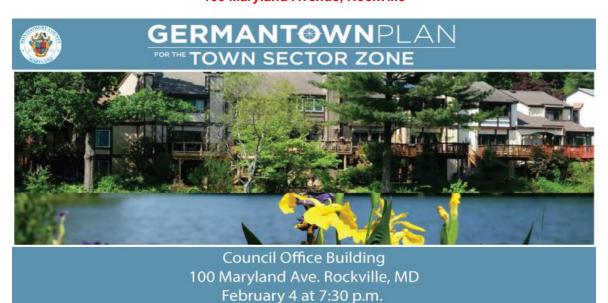
To see meeting agendas and summaries, visit https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/upcounty/ucab/BoardInfo.html

Sign language interpreter services will be provided only upon request with notice as far in advance as possible, but no less than 72 hours prior to the event. If these or other services or aids are needed to participate in this activity, please call 240-777-8040 or email a request to catherine.matthews@montgomerycountymd.gov.

New Date!

The County Council's public hearing on Germantown's Town Sector Zone that was originally scheduled for January 14 has been rescheduled.

Tuesday, February 4 7:30pm County Council Office Building 100 Maryland Avenue, Rockville



Sign up: https://tinyurl.com/phsupage

Upcounty Citizens Advisory Board Meeting

Monday, January 27 7:00pm Kramer Upcounty Regional Services Center 12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown

Topic: "Changes in Montgomery County Government"
Guest: Andrew Kleine, Chief Administrative Officer
Offices of the County Executive

Community Survey About Our County

County Executive Marc Elrich released the findings of a county-commissioned independent survey that shows residents rate Montgomery County with an increasingly positive feeling over the past 12 years as a desirable place to live, raise children, work and enjoy a good quality of life.

The survey also indicates that the residents surveyed think there is significant room for improvement in the categories of a place to retire, affordable housing, affordable childcare/preschool, traffic congestion and public transportation.

The responses are published and analyzed in a <u>series of reports</u>. Also see the <u>press release</u>. The executive summary of the survey can be found <u>here</u>.

Montgomery County FY21 Community Grants - Apply Online Now

The County Council and County Executive FY21 Community Grants programs have been combined and streamlined. The grants portal is now open. For more information and to apply, visit the grant application portal at www.mcmdgrants.fluidreview.com (accessible via Google Chrome).

For more information and questions:

Email: grants@montgomerycountymd.gov County Grants Hotline: 240-777-7935

Meet with the Grants Team: https://calendly.com/mocogrants

The deadline for submissions of proposals is 12:00noon, January 29, 2020 at which point the portal will close.



MDOT SHA District 3 Major Construction and Maintenance Planned Lane Closure Update for Montgomery County

for the Period Beginning January 9, 2020

All work is performed weather permitting. Through the end of winter, limited activity will take place on all projects. Normal project activity will resume with the return of warmer temperatures in spring. Additional work hours and lane closure times may be necessary to expedite all phases of work and to keep all projects on schedule. Equipment used for construction may be disruptive. Real-time traffic information available at www.chart.maryland.gov or 1-855-466-3511 (using a handsfree device while driving). It's the law! Remember to "Buckle Up" for safety. Seatbelts save lives!

MD 124 (Quince Orchard Road) from Dosh Drive to MD 117 (Clopper Road/West Diamond Avenue).

Bicycle/pedestrian improvement project. Intermittent ingle daytime lane closures, weekdays, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through late summer 2020. (MO150)

MD 355 (Frederick Road) at West Old Baltimore Road. Intersection construction project. Intermittent single lane closures on both roads, weekdays, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and overnight, Sunday through Thursday, 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. through year-end 2020. (MO536)

Click here for the full list of planned lane closures.

Montgomery County Area Wide Resurfacing - Please find below smaller "area wide" MDOT SHA District 3 resurfacing projects planned for Montgomery County between now and late summer 2020 (weather permitting). To complete all phases of resurfacing for these locations, intermittent lane closures and work times are permissible weekdays, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and overnight, Sunday through Thursday, 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Additional lane closures and work times may be needed to complete all phases of work. Equipment used for construction may be disruptive.

- MD 27 (Ridge Road) from Snowden Farm Parkway to Marlboro Drive
- MD 28 (Darnestown Road) from MD 107 (Whites Ferry Road) to Black Rock Road
- MD 28 (Darnestown Road) from MD 109 (Beallsville Road) to Peach Tree Road
- MD 80 (Kemptown Road) from Frederick County Line to MD 27 (Ridge Road)
- MD 355 (Rockville Pike) northbound ramp to westbound I-270 (Eisenhower Hwy.)
- I-270 (Eisenhower Hwy.) from West Old Baltimore Road to MD 27 (Ridge Road)



Senior Call Check

Maryland state has started a new program — <u>Senior Call Check</u>. It is a first-in-the-nation statewide program that provides a call to seniors each day, at a designated time, to make sure they're alright. Read more by clicking on *Senior Call Check* above.



Ramping Up Hiring Efforts for 2020 Census

The U.S. Census Bureau is ramping up its national recruiting efforts to hire up to 500,000 temporary, part-time census takers for the 2020 Census in communities across the country to reach its goal of more than 2 million applicants. The positions offer competitive pay, flexible hours, paid training, and weekly paychecks. To determine the pay rate in a specific area, learn more about these positions, or apply for one of the temporary jobs, visit 2020census.gov/jobs.

Join and help shape the future of your community! Explore 2020 Census job opportunities



Montgomery County Commission for Women's 40th Annual Women's Legislative Briefing Covers Topics on Why Women's Voices and Votes Count

Sunday, January 26 12:30pm
The Universities at Shady Grove, Bldg. II
9630 Gudelsky Drive, Rockville

Members of the public are invited to attend.

The Montgomery County Commission for Women will host its 40th annual Women's Legislative Briefing (WLB) with the theme "Women Voices and Votes Count." Barbara Harrison, an award-winning journalist who worked at NBC4 for over 30 years, will be the keynote speaker.

Attendees will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of breakout sessions addressing timely topics such as voter engagement, racial equity and the 2020 Census, sexual assault and domestic violence prevention, women's health, economic justice, women in the criminal justice system, human trafficking prevention, and women leaders breaking ground in their field. Session participants will hear from members of the Maryland General Assembly, community leaders who influence policymaking, and representatives of organizations that advance the status of women and girls such as the Women's Law Center of Maryland, Maryland Coalition Against Sexual Assault, Feminist Majority Foundation, and NARAL Pro-Choice Maryland.

Additionally, the WLB features sessions for Emerging Leaders (students in grades 6-12) to participate in interactive workshops that focus on civic engagement and pathways to leadership. The briefing also will include a president's networking reception for the leaders of the co-sponsoring organizations and corporations.

In light of this year's event theme, the briefing will include opportunities to register to vote, sign-up to help register voters, and learn how the 2020 Census impacts many communities.

The WLB is co-sponsored by more than 60 women's and community organizations, with the support of major sponsors such as The Universities at Shady Grove, Capitol Hill Consulting Group, Marriott International, AARP and Kaiser Permanente. The WLB event is not limited to Montgomery County residents. To pre-register, visit: https://wlb2020.eventbrite.com/

For additional information, call 240-777-8300, visit www.montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw or follow via Twitter and Facebook using the hashtag #MoCoWLB.

Transportation Summit - Thrive 2050
Monday, January 27 1:00pm - 5:00pm
Bethesda North Marriott Hotel & Conference Center
5701 Marinelli Road, Rockville

The Planning Department is hosting a transportation summit for non-profit and advocacy organizations to facilitate input for <u>Thrive Montgomery 2050</u>. Transportation is a major element of the plan. The half-day summit will discuss current and emerging transportation issues and brainstorm potential policies and planning efforts that will be included in the General Plan update. <u>RSVP online by January 13</u>.

Questions? Contact Katie Mencarini at katherine.mencarini@montgomeryplanning.org.

Alert Montgomery

Sign up for the County's <u>Alert Montgomery</u> notification system to receive emergency alerts regarding weather and other emergency information. The Alert Montgomery System provides accurate and immediate emergency notifications from Montgomery County to your cell, work, or home phones via text, email, or voice message to receive notifications about emergencies that may affect your home, workplace, child's school, or any other locations within the County. For general information about County programs and services, call 3-1-1.

Community Meetings on the County's State of Education

Tuesday, January 28 6:30pm – 8:30pm

Montgomery College Germantown Bioscience Educational Center, Room 151
20200 Observation Drive, Germantown
&
Wednesday, March 4 6:30pm -8:30pm
Northwood High School, Cafeteria
919 University Blvd, Silver Spring

First meeting Tuesday, Jan. 28 at Montgomery College Germantown will cover academic readiness, career pathways and work-based learning opportunities to take students from pre-kindergarten to careers.

The meetings will be hosted by Craig Rice, chair of the Montgomery County Council's Education and Culture Committee; Dr. Jack Smith, superintendent of Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS); Dr. DeRionne Pollard, president of Montgomery College (college), and Dr. Stewart Edelstein, executive director of The Universities at Shady Grove (USG).

With an emphasis on the educational continuum and intentional collaboration among county government, MCPS, Montgomery College and USG, the four presenters will share state and county initiatives to support a robust education system. The evenings will highlight educational programs and experiential opportunities that place our students onto pathways that lead to job readiness and career attainment. Speakers will discuss how their educational partnerships are focused on preparing all students with the lifelong learning skills needed for the jobs of the future.

The meetings also will provide information on current state and county funding proposals as part of the fiscal year 2021 budget process. The Council will adopt the County budget in May, which will go into effect on July 1.

There will be a question and answer session following the speakers' presentations. For further information about the community meetings, contact Councilmember Rice's office at 240-777-7955 or email him at: Councilmember.Rice@montgomerycountymd.gov.

Did You Know...?

January is Recognized as National Human Trafficking Awareness Month

In 2014, County Executive Ike Leggett created the Montgomery County Human Trafficking Task Force. The purpose of the task force is to increase understanding of the issue in Montgomery County and to develop interagency coordination of strategies for response and prevention.

In October 2017, the task force transitioned into the Montgomery County Human Trafficking Prevention Committee (Committee) via <u>27-17</u> Human Rights and Civil Liberties—Human Trafficking Prevention Committee Established. The full Committee meets six times a year from noon-1:30pm in the Rockville Library.

2020 Meeting dates are: January 15, March 18, May 20, July 15, September 16 and November 18. Please e-mail cfwinfo@montgomerycountymd.gov or call 240-777-8300 for meeting room information. email ahead to confirm.

The Committee's overarching goals include:

- Increasing the identification and prosecution of all parties supporting the organized crime of human trafficking to include traffickers, suppliers, transporters, advertisers and demand elements;
- Elimination of human trafficking, and
- Improving identification of and services for human trafficking victims

Watch the Task Force's kick-off event

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County Council https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council

Planning Board http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/department/news_releases

Also check out the latest from:

Department of Public Libraries http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library

Department of Recreation http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/rec

Department of Transportation http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html

Department of Environmental Protection http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dep

Department of Permitting Services https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dps
Montgomery County Volunteer Center https://www.montgomeryserves.org

Office of Community Partnerships https://montgomerycountymd.gov/partnerships

Commission for Women https://montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw

Parks Department http://www.montgomeryparks.org/

Planning Department http://montgomeryplanning.org/

Department of Health and Human Services www.montgomerycountymd.gov/hhs